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ENDOSCOPE SYSTEM HAVING AN AUXILIARY LIGHTING DEVICE



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 - A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
 - An Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449, and references cited.
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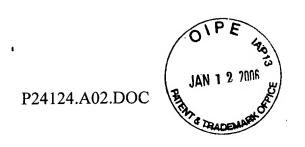
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of November 3, 2005, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on February 3, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objections and rejections, as well as an indication of the allowability of all the claims pending in the present application.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.